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COST REDUCTION OF MOTION VECTORS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 4, after the title, insert the following:

--This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C.

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1999, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on  
March 16, 2000 in English, and which claims the benefit of French Application  
No. 9811140, filed September 7, 1998.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

1. Field of the Invention--

Page 1, line 6, insert as heading: --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 2, line 31 insert as heading: --BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE  
DRAWING--

Page 3, line 9 insert as heading: --DETAILED DESCRIPTION--